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Sir:

A response to the Official Action of June 28, 2002 was filed on July 29, 2002.

However, since then applicant has not received any communication from the Patent

Office regarding our response. Inquiry is made as to when a notice will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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